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The editor of the New York Evening Post undertakes to illustrate the merit of the confederate act. He refers to the proclamations of Lee and Kirby Smith, calling on the people of Maryland and Kentucky to rise and join the rebellion; and notices, what the editor assumes to be the fact, that their proclamations are not responded to; and then proceeds to tell us that the Secesh in Kentucky and Maryland are men of property, and fear that if they join the rebellion their property will be confiscated. Thus he accounts for the refusal to join the rebellion. They are afraid of losing their property, and hence the merit of the confederate act is exhibited in the fact here assumed.

It is amusing to read a surmise that the rebels are anywhere afraid of law, and that they are deterred from any conduct from an apprehension of legal penalties. There is a law older than the confederate act, and founded on the practice of all nations, which punishes treason with death. That is the last of penalties, and it does not deter men from rebellion.

It will be said that they do not apprehend that the old law, punishing treason with death, will be executed. It is the law, however, and as likely to be executed as the confederate act.

There is as much reason for the practical suspension of one law as there is for the suspension of the other. The rebel prefers to risk his property rather than his life. If his cause is successful he loses neither, and he knows it. If he fails his life is as much in danger as his property.

Why should one law be executed and not another? These rebels are not afraid of law and penalties on paper. They expect to succeed, and they will then have their own say about penalties. If they fail, they risk their lives under a law older than the confederate act. Take away their property and they can right themselves by robbing other people; subject them to the old law against treason and they are hung.

The fact is, there is but very partial danger of confiscation until the rebellion is put down by our armies, and then there is no use for it, except as a mere measure of vengeance, for which the civilized world would accept no apology.

The Abolitionists are evidently alarmed in New York. The union of the Democrats and Whigs in that State, upon Seymour for Governor, promises the success of the ticket. They don't cry treason against Seymour with any effect, and they have to come down to respectful discussion. The point against Seymour is, that he has been inconsistent. He agreed with Douglas on the question of slavery in the Territories, and subsequently urged the Crittenden compromise, which divided the Territories, allowing slavery in a part and prohibiting it in the rest. The amount of the charge is, that to save the country Seymour was ready to sacrifice his theory.

Yesterday, the order that no passes should be given to leave the city, caught many market people and others from the neighborhood in the city, and kept them to their great disappointment. We have nothing to do but to obey these military orders, and wait for a reason after the object is accomplished. The only wise and safe course is to give those in command prompt support and obedience. They are responsible, and obedience to their direction is their duty and our interest. A General has as much interest as we have to protect Louisville, and to use the best means for that purpose. If he fails, he will lose more than any one else.

The failure of General Miles to hold Harper's Ferry was a great misfortune, and interfered seriously with the programme of McClellan. Perhaps we shall learn before our paper goes to press of a still more decisive action. So far the success of our arms has been uninterrupted, except at the Ferry. It ought to have been so at that point, and the work would have been completed before this time. A day or two more, at most, will settle the question whether the Confederate army will ever get back to Richmond.

The enrolled militia of Indiana.—In our neighboring State, Indiana, the returns filed in the General Commissioner's office show the following totals for the State: Total militia enrolled, 209,261; exempt, 32,869; constitutionally opposed to bearing arms, 3,169; subject to draft, 173,178; whole number of volunteers, 100,277; volunteers now in service, and including those who have died in service, 93,041. Total subject to draft, and volunteers in service, 266,219.

The victories of McClellan are gall and wormwood to the Abolitionists. The New York Tribune says we owe them to Reno, Hooker and Franklin. The General who commanded and directed the whole, the poor Abolitionist desires to keep out of sight. The General mentioned by the Tribune did glorious service; but the credit cannot be wrested from McClellan. As well describe the triumphs of Napoleon as the exploits of McClellan.

The Republicans of Chester and Delaware, have not re-nominated John A. Andrew, and a terrible canvassing was kept up till one o'clock. The distance was so great that nearly all the rebel shots fell short. One struck a mule and rendered him useless for any further service. Probably our own artillery was equally ineffective.

A girl, fifteen years of age, named Mary Simpson, attempted suicide, by jumping into the river at St. Louis, on Wednesday. She was rescued, but said she did not wish to live longer in the power of her father and stepmother.

Miss Maggie Mitchell, the sparkling comedienne, is playing at Ford's new theater in Washington city. The Florences are also there, playing at Grover's.

## McClellan and Victory.

(From the N. Y. Journal of Commerce.)

Once more victory attends the eagle of America. The long catalogue of disaster is closed. From the gloom of the past few weeks the nation leaps at once into the clear light, and the army, led by McClellan, restores its name and restores hope to the hearts of the people.

He is no American who hesitates in this moment to give to that General the frank and hearty word of praise which is his due. Where would the nation have been to-day if the President had not called General McClellan back to the command at the moment he did, in spite of the fierce radical opposition then made to him? Who can look back without a sense of unbounded gratitude at the salvation of our country from the fate into which the radical leaders would have plunged the capital and the cause only two weeks ago to-day!

McClellan's history for the past few weeks has been more like a romance than a truth. When he was recalled from the Peninsula, in spite of his earnest desire to attack Richmond, he was left at Alexandria with a small force, and he was without a command. We do not pause to speak of the influence which had brought him to this position. It is of the past. Let it be for the future a lesson to the nation. Not a hundred men remained under his orders on the night of that Friday. The battles in which he was so disastrously beaten were then going on within a few miles of Alexandria. The command of the General is worthy to be remembered as a noble feat.

In New York jubilation that night over his supposed disgrace. A New York paper, in words that make men blush to remember, accused him of a willful disobedience of orders, and said that he had been recalled to save him from a more disgraceful fate. It is true that he had been recalled to save him from a more disgraceful fate. It is true that he had been recalled to save him from a more disgraceful fate.

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## TRUE POETRY.

For elegance and beauty, the following lines, from the pen of Charles Mackay, challenge the whole world of poetry:

How many thoughts I give thee!  
Come hither on the green,  
The green blades as we pass,  
Or the sweet wind on the west,  
Or the rippling of the river,  
Or the hum of the busy bee,  
I'll count the thoughts I give thee,  
My beautiful, my loved!How many joys I owe thee!  
Come sit where joys run high,  
That break on the shore and die—  
When the storm is overblown,  
Or the peal of the merry bell,  
Or the peal of the merry bell,  
I'll count the joys I owe thee,  
My beautiful, my loved!And how much love I profess!  
Come closer to the heart,  
The star ships of the sky,  
The sunlight streaming wide,  
Or the light of the dark forest,  
Or the light of the dark forest,  
I'll count the love I profess,  
My beautiful, my loved!

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## BOARD OF COMMON COUNCIL.

THURSDAY EVENING, SEPT. 18, 1862.

Present.—Dr. G. W. Ronald, President, and all the members, except Messrs. Baxter, Crowe, Earick, Guy, Jefferson, and Kinkead.

The reading of the journal of the previous session was dispensed with.

The following veto message was read from his Honor the Mayor, viz:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, SEPT. 18, 1862.

To the General Council:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your resolution, passed on the 17th inst., relative to the proposed improvement of the sewer in Preston street, from Upper Green to Washington street, and in reply to inform you that the same has been referred to the Board of Public Works, for their consideration.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,  
J. M. DELIN, Mayor.

I agree fully with the report made by the Engineer, that the system of underground drainage is the only remedy for our badly graded streets, and would at a proper time heartily adopt the measure. I have ascertained from him that this improvement would not cost less than \$12,000, as you will see by the enclosed report, which is but a beginning of an improvement contemplated at some future period, which will have to be provided for by a special tax. Besides, it is very important that the city should be graded by a special tax. Besides, it is very important that the city should be graded by a special tax.

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Mr. Caruth, from said committee, reported an ordinance from the Board of Aldermen authorizing the Mayor to borrow \$20,000 to loan to the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company to pay her October interest, which was read once, rule suspended and passed.

A resolution from the Board of Aldermen authorizing a joint session this evening at nine o'clock, to elect two Collectors of back taxes and an Interpreter for the City Court, was adopted.

JOINT SESSION.

The two Boards having assembled, Chas. Elliott was elected Collector of back taxes for the Eastern District, and Wm. Kaye for the Western District.

Geo. Jonas was elected Interpreter of the City Court, when the joint session arose.

SEPARATE SESSION.

Mr. Tompsett presented a resolution directing the Engineer to have a culvert built from Wenzel to Main street, to drain that locality, which was adopted.

Mr. Tompsett, from Street Committee Eastern District, reported an ordinance from the Board of Aldermen to procure the improvement of a portion of the city street, from Hancock to Clay streets, which was read once, rule suspended, and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—President Ronald, and Messrs. Shaw, Armstrong, Herbert, Caruth, Granger, Irvine, Kaye, Rubel, Spaulding, Story, Tompsett, Tucker and Twyman—14.

Nays—none.

CLAIMS ALLOWED.

Street hands Eastern District, \$476 51, for work done from September 21st to September 24th.

J. M. Summers, \$37 80 and \$223 38, for repairs to pumps Eastern District.

B. McAttee, \$47 81, for repairs to gutters.

Street hands Western District, \$406 25, for work from August 21st to September 24th.







This image shows a blank, aged, cream-colored page, likely an endpaper or flyleaf of a book. The paper has a slightly textured appearance with some minor creases and discoloration, particularly along the right edge where it is bound. The page is set against a dark background, and the overall tone is warm and vintage.



